BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In th	he Matter of)		
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Russ	Francis;)	MUR	5218
Russ	Francis for	Congress and	.)		
Russ	Francis, as	treasurer)		

CERTIFICATION

- I, Darlene Harris, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session on September 30, 2003, do hereby certify that the Commission decided by a vote of 4-2 to take the following actions with respect to MUR 5218:
 - 1. Find reason to believe that Russ Francis knowingly and willfully violated 2 U.S.C. § 439a.
 - Find reason to believe that Russ Francis for Congress and Russ Francis, as treasurer, knowingly and willfully violated 2 U.S.C. § 439a.
 - 3. Find reason to believe that Russ Francis for Congress and Russ Francis, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(a), 434(b)(2)(A), 434(b)(4)(A), 434(b)(5), 434(b)(8), 432(h)(1), and 432(c)(5).
 - 4. Take no further action with respect to the above respondents and approve an admonishment letter to Russ Francis and Russ Francis for Congress.

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- 5. Find no reason to believe that Steve McManus violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1).
- 6. Find no reason to believe that Russ Francis for Congress or Russ Francis violated 11 CFR § 116.7.

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- 8. Approve the appropriate letters.
- 9. Close the file.

Commissioners Mason, Smith, Thomas, and Toner voted affirmatively for the decision.

Commissioners McDonald and Weintraub dissented.

Attest:

October 1, 2003

Darlene Harris

Deputy Secretary of

the Commission